

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2698 - SB 2750

February 1, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits an existing residential schedule from being modified prior to a final permanent parenting plan modification hearing unless the parents agree to the modification or the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the child will be neglected, dependent, or abused without a temporary modification of the schedule. Authorizes an expedited hearing on the temporary modification if a temporary modification of the existing residential schedule is granted to a petitioner ex parte.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - Not Significant

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant

Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- A small increase in hearings on temporary modifications of existing parenting plans in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the hearings and additional state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.
- There will not be a fiscal impact on the Department of Children's Services.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

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James W. White, Executive Director

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